



# *Fact Sheet*

## *Dixie National Forest*

### **SKUNK CREEK FIRE – POWELL RANGER DISTRICT – DIXIE NATIONAL FOREST**

<b>Location:</b>	Powell Ranger District, 6 miles southeast of Hatch, Utah, on the Paunsaugunt Plateau
<b>Cause:</b>	Lightning on August 6, 2010
<b>Acreage:</b>	70 acres (as of August 23, 2010), management area is 200 acres
<b>Management Objectives:</b>	The fire is located in a timber management emphasis area. Fire managers are utilizing natural fire to reduce undesired white fir and juniper underneath ponderosa pine and Douglas fir. Fire is also being used to reduce and diversify Manzanita to allow for more open areas for pine seed germination.
<b>Management Actions:</b>	Fire managers will utilize fire, including burnouts where and when appropriate, to achieve the desired objectives within a pre-defined area. When the desired objectives are achieved, or conditions change that no longer support meeting the desired objectives, fire crews will suppress the fire. This management strategy is intended to help achieve the Forest Plan objectives sought for the area and to reduce the duration of potential smoke and fire related impacts to local communities and area visitors to a shorter time period.
<b>Resources:</b>	20 firefighters including 2 engines
<b>Contact:</b>	Kenton Call 435-865-3730

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